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The Poet's Corner.

A SONG OF PEACE

The grass is green on Bunker Hill,
The water sweet in Brandywine;
The sword sleeps in the scabbard still,
The farmer keeps his flock and vine;
Then, who would mar the scene of day
With a thought of the day?

The horse corn-lit is regiments
Ten thousand sabres in the sun;
The ripples replace the battle tents,
The banded tangle rose and ran,
These but the scenes of yesterday,
The day when he had lost his breast,

The cause ploughed the field more;
The horse rent! Oh, let them rest!
In peace along the peaceful shores!
They fought for peace, for these they fell;
They sleep in peace, and at it well.

The fields forget the battle fought,
The trenchers taste the golden grapes;
The neiging steed, the bugle's blast,
These but the scenes of yesterday,
The day when he had lost his breast,

The cause ploughed the field more;
The horse rent! Oh, let them rest!

—Jacques Miller.

Ladies' Department.

MY "BETE-NOIR."

By M. SEARLE.

"Hateful man! I despise him! He is the butt of my contempt." I went on, vehemently. "I wish he would take himself off to some distant clime, where I would never see or hear of him again."

"Who, who, Madge?" quickly asked my sister, violet.

"Hateful man! of course."

"What can you mean?" replied Violet.

"His manners are perfect, and he is so charming."

"Perfect manners! Think of his telling me, last night, he did not like too much originality in a woman; it made them feel disgruntled. What is good breeding? I felt like choking him."

"What a little sphyre are you, Madge?" said Violet, laughing. "I dare say you are a good deal like your partner, too. You know you talk strangely at times," stretching her pretty mouth as she spoke.

"By-the-by, he is coming over this evening, to complete the arrangements about the picnic."

"Ah! I am told he is coming over to see my lamp-ordered organ."

"What a poor, wretched, hideous thing?" said Violet. "You know how the despise the color."

"My principal reason for making a principal of myself, I said, coolly, proceeding to array myself in the condemned garment."

"If you would only wear your pink crepe, with black lace trimmings, I would be more than willing to have you in my family."

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